



The United States Environmental Protection Agency
Air Facility System (AFS)

AFS 2006 National Workshop & Training

Making a Commitment to Quality Data for the Air Program and the Public



July 24-28, 2006
Crowne Plaza Washington National Airport Hotel
Arlington, VA

Hosted by the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance



The U.S. EPA's Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (OECA), Office of Compliance, Enforcement Targeting and Data Division (ETDD) is pleased to announce the 2006 annual AFS National Workshop & Training in Washington, D.C. The theme for the meeting is, "AFS: Making a Commitment to Quality Data for the Air Program and the Public." In keeping with the theme, the meeting will focus on data quality.

Dress is business casual.

Agenda Topics

At this time, the following topics are being considered for inclusion on the meeting agenda:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Compliance Monitoring Strategy Highlights▪ OECA HQ Updates▪ The Year in AFS▪ AFS Modernization Schedule▪ AFS Grant Activity<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ XML Schema Development▪ AFS Security | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Presentations covering the latest in:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ IT Management○ Programs that affect AFS such as State Framework, Performance Track & Air Toxics▪ Group discussions for improvements to AFS Structure |
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Training topics may include:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ AFS 101▪ AFS Batch Update 101▪ HPV Reporting | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Watch List Reviews▪ XML 101▪ CMS Reports▪ Universal Interface |
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The meeting will begin at noon, Monday, July 24th with several training sessions. The General session will convene on Tuesday, July 25th. The workshop will adjourn on Friday, July 28th at 12 noon. Additional training sessions will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday. We will provide more information as planning for the meeting progresses.

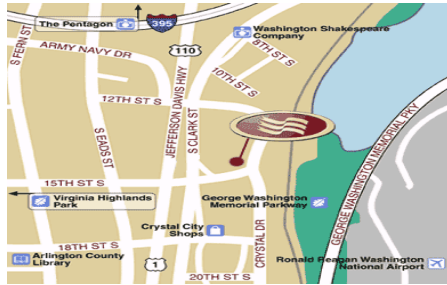
We encourage your feedback on the agenda and invite you to participate in the planning of the Workshop. Please direct your feedback to Betsy Metcalf at (202) 564-5962 or e-mail to metcalf.betsy@epa.gov. We appreciate your contributions!

Workshop Registration

Registration for AFS 2006 is open to all EPA, State, Local Agency, Territorial and Tribal Nations who wish to attend. There is no registration fee to attend the workshop and training. A registration form is provided in this brochure. A confirmation e-mail will be sent to you within 24 hours after your registration form is received. Information about the workshop including hotel, agenda, social events, and evaluation form will be posted on EPA's website: <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/data/systems/air/afsworkshop.html>. The information is also available on a website operated by an EPA contractor - TRC Environmental Corporation - at <https://pops.trcsolutions.com/pops>.



Location



Crowne Plaza Washington National Airport
1480 Crystal Drive
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The Crowne Plaza Washington National Airport hotel is a first class, full service facility located in the Crystal City area of Arlington, Virginia. The hotel is less than 1 mile from the Ronald Reagan National Airport and 5 minutes from the Pentagon. All the attractions of our Nation's Capital, including the White House, Smithsonian Institution, Washington Monument, International Spy Museum and the Vietnam Veterans Memorial are just minutes away.

We have contracted with Crowne Plaza for a block of 80 sleeping rooms from Monday – Friday, July 24 - 28, 2006 at the federal government per diem rate. Check-in time is 4:00 PM and check-out time is 12:00 PM. Attendees are responsible for making and paying for their own arrangements. Reservations may be made directly with the Crowne Plaza by calling (703) 416-1600 or the toll-free number (877) 227-6963. To get the correct rate, please ask for the group rate for the **“EPA/AFS 2006 Workshop”** and mention the reservation code **‘AFW’**.

The deadline for making a reservation is June 24, 2006. After that date, availability will be at the discretion of the Crowne Plaza.

The hotel offers a complimentary onsite fitness center, a seasonal outdoor pool and 3 in-hotel restaurants: Veranda Café, The Potomac Bar and Grille and Starbucks Coffee. The Crowne Plaza features the Sleep Advantage® program offering comfortable new beds, guaranteed wake-up calls, Quiet Zone floors, Sleep Amenities, sleep CD and relaxation tips.

High speed Internet access is available in the guestrooms for \$9.95/day; wireless access in public areas is complimentary. The AFS Workshop will again be able to offer 2 computer workstations to assist you with any of your business needs while attending the Workshop. The workstations will be located near the General Session ballroom. Hours of availability will be posted.

Parking is available at the hotel at a daily fee of \$15.00 with in & out privileges (6 foot clearance, underground parking).

For further information on Crowne Plaza, please visit: www.cpnationalairport.com.

It is EPA's policy to make reasonable accommodations to persons with disabilities. To request special accommodations, please contact the hotel directly prior to your arrival.



Transportation



Complimentary shuttle service is provided by the Crowne Plaza from Washington's Reagan National Airport. The shuttle is available from 5:30 am – 11:00 pm every 30 minutes on the ½ hour.

Metrorail service is also available from the airport and is both convenient and reasonable. The fare is \$1.35, takes 3 minutes and is .5 miles from the hotel. Metrorail is located opposite the main terminal. Take either the Blue or the Yellow Line train to the Crystal City station. The Crowne Plaza is approximately 1 ½ blocks away.

If you choose to take the Metrorail *please take note of the following walking directions:* Once you have exited the Crystal City Metrorail station and you are above ground, turn right off the escalator and walk north (against traffic) on S. Bell Street (one-way street) to 15th Street. The Crowne Plaza will be directly in front of you.

For customers with disabilities, Metrorail offers an ideal way to travel throughout the Washington, DC area. All trains and stations are accessible. Also, station managers and rail station employees have received ADA Customer Service Training and are ready to assist people with disabilities. For additional information, go to <http://www.wmata.com/metrorail/stations.cfm>.

Social Events



The Crowne Plaza offers a Manager's reception in the Veranda Café on Tuesday evening. Stay tuned for future information regarding a planned social event for attendees of AFS 2006!



AFS 2006 National Workshop Registration Form

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Email Address:

Phone Number:

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Organization:

Organization Type:

(EPA-HQ, EPA-Regional, State, Local Agency, Contractor, Tribal Nation, Other)

Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code (5 digits):

Arrival Date:

Departure Date:

Complete form and Fax to: AFS Helpline (860)278-2400 or Email to:

afshelpline@trcsolutions.com

Please Note - Within 24 hours after faxing or e-mailing your registration form, you will receive an e-mail confirmation from the AFS Help Line indicating that your registration has been received. If you do not receive this confirmation, please contact the AFS Help Line at (800) 367-1044.